

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re of:**

<b>Application No.:</b>	10/539,796	<b>Examiner:</b>	Jeffery A. Shapiro
<b>Filing Date:</b>	October 27, 2005	<b>Art Unit:</b>	3653
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**For:** METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE CHECKING OF BANKNOTES

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JANUARY 5, 2009**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed January 5, 2009 regarding the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the amendments and comments presented herein.

**AMENDMENTS**

**Amendment to the Specification**

The specification is amended as shown on the following page under the heading "AMENDMENT TO SPECIFICATION."

**Amendments to the Claims**

The claims are amended as shown in the following pages under the heading "LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS". This listing of claims supersedes all prior listings of claims presented in this application, shows the current status of all claims in the application and shows currently proposed amendments. The amendments are submitted without prejudice and Applicant reserves all rights to the entire subject matter disclosed in this application.